

INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 3-18-90

FULL NAME Dr Gerald H. Rossnick S.S. NO. _____
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

ADDRESS _____

CITY BAYONNE STATE N.J. ZIP CODE 07002

DATE OF BIRTH about 1922 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 65-70 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Jewish NATIONALITY (Citizen of) U.S.A.

OCCUPATION Dentist

EDUCATION _____

WEIGHT _____ HEIGHT _____ RACE White

COLOR OF HAIR _____ COLOR OF EYES _____

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS _____

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS _____

MARRIED ☒ SINGLE ☐ NAME OF SPOUSE _____

CHILDREN _____
(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
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Chartered Organization Past Board Member up to 1987

SPECIAL RECOGNITION NONE

INCIDENT: TYPE	DATE OF INCIDENT	RESOLUTION
Type		Resolution

1=Scout Related

2=Non-scout related

3=homosexual (not specifically with youth)

1. Internal (only Scouts Know)

2. Criminal action

3. Court action

4. Probationary status

5. Reported to state agency

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APR 01 1990 Off list of attached documentation

JOSEPH L. LANGIM Description of incident

2. Victim(s) statement

3. media reports

4. Legal proceedings

5. Offender's statement

6. Official notification of termination

7. Found guilty/innocent by court

CONFIDENTIAL

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F. STARON

Council BAYONNE Signed [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

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CONF018753

May 3, 1990

Mr. Ronald Moore
Scout Executive
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: GERALD H. ROSSNICK

Dear Ronald:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

RECEIVED
MAY 3 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF018754

READY FOR FILE

MAR 12 1989

A. GRAVES

March 12, 1990

Co. 332

Mr. Ronald Moore
Scout Executive
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gerald H. Rossnick

Dear Ronald:

This particular situation has been developing since May of 1988. I really need more information and must have this to complete our file.

I am enclosing an Ineligible Volunteer Record Sheet which I would like to have completed, so we can identify Dr. Rossnick. Please give us as much information as you have available about him.

We would, also, like to know if the legal action has now been completed. It would be unusual for it to take this long to have the legal action completed. We really need the outcome for our files. Please send us newspaper clippings or court records which substantiate any conviction and sentencing which may have occurred.

Thanks for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

CONF018755

DEC 04 1989

A. GRAVES

December 4, 1989

Mr. Roland Moore
Area Director
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gerald H. Rossnick

Dear Roland:

It has now been a long time since we have received material concerning the above named individual. The newspaper clippings that we received indicated that he had been arrested for child sexual abuse.

I would like to know if the legal action has been completed, so that we have the final outcome of this for our files. This will help to substantiate any refusal of registration at a later time.

I am enclosing another Ineligible Volunteer Record Sheet which I would like to have completed, so we can identify Dr. Rossnick. Please complete this with as much information as you have available.

We really would appreciate your prompt return of this information, so we can close this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

CONF018756

May 7, 1989

Mr. Francis J. Barre
Scout Executive
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gerald H. Rossnick

Dear Frank:

I really appreciated the material you sent me almost a year ago concerning this individual, but I must have more detail.

I am enclosing another Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed. We would also like a paper with his signature as this aids in the identification process.

Please give me up-to-date newspaper clippings or court records which would indicate the outcome of the legal action. This is most important if we are to refuse registration anywhere it might originate.

This has been going on for a long time and we must close this file. Please give us the information we have requested, so that we can resolve this situation and protect the youth of America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: Northeast Region

READY TO FILE
MAY 18 1989
ERIN ORILEY

CONF018757

January 16, 1989

Mr. Francis J. Barre
Scout Executive
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: GERALD R. ROSSNICK, DDS

Dear Frank:

I appreciate the material you sent in May concerning the above named individual. This material certainly would deem the suspension of Dr. Rossnick from the Boy Scouts of America. I hope a letter has been sent to him indicating that he is suspended. If you have not done this, I would suggest this be done immediately.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which I would like to have completed, so we may identify Dr. Rossnick should he attempt registration in some other location or another council. A paper with his signature would also be helpful in the identification process.

We will need the outcome of the legal action and would like this if it is now completed. Otherwise, please send it to us when the case has been resolved.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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JAN 16 1989

ERIN O'RILEY

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October 11, 1988

Mr. Francis J. Barre
Scout Executive
Bayoune Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: DR. GERALD H. ROSSNICK, DDS

Dear Frank:

We strongly encourage you to not have Dr. Rossnick registered with the Boy Scouts of America. The incident described would certainly preclude his registration any where in the country.

I am enclosing another Confidential Record Sheet, which I would like to have completed so that we may identify Dr. Rossnick, should he attempt registration with another local council. We would also like a copy of a piece of paper with his signature, if you have this available.

The only other material we need will be the outcome of the legal action. Please send us a copy of newspaper clippings or court records, when this case is completed.

Thanks for your help in protecting the youth in America.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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READY TO FILE
OCT 11 1988
ERIN ORILEY

CONF018759

June 2, 1988

Francis J. Barre
Scout Executive
Bayonne Council, No. 332

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: DR. GERALD H. ROSSNICK, D.D.S.

Dear Frank:

Thank you for the information which you recently sent us concerning the above named individual. This is most helpful to us and certainly will enable us to start a confidential file to refuse registration at any time in the future.

I am enclosing a confidential record sheet which I would like to have completed so we may identify Dr. Rossnick, should he attempt to register in another council. We would also like to have copy of a paper with his signature, if you have this available, as this aids in the identification process.

The only other material we will then need will be the outcome of the legal action. This would then give us all the substantiation necessary for later refusal.

Sincerely,

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Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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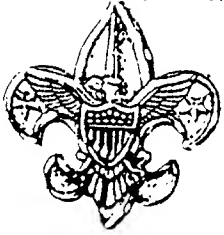
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JUN 30 1988
ERIN CHILEY

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Bayonne Council, Boy Scouts of America

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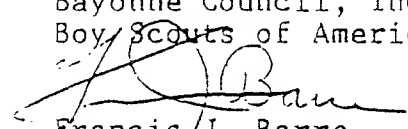
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Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 152079
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

I am enclosing several newspaper articles regarding Dr. Gerald H. Rossnick D.D.S. who is registered with the Bayonne Council through June, 1988 as a member of our Council Advisory Board.

The incidents described in the paper have no connection with Scouting. It is however our intention not to permit Dr. Rossnick to renew his membership with the Bayonne Council until this matter is resolved.

My purpose in this letter and enclosures is to bring this matter to your attention for your action as you deem necessary.

Sincerely yours,
Bayonne Council, Inc.
Boy Scouts of America


Francis J. Barre
Scout Executive

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Dentist arrested

Bayonne man accused of sexually abusing teen boys

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THE JERSEY JOURNAL, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1988

Dentist netted in teen sex abuse

By Michele Drayton

A Bayonne dentist was arrested at his Broadway office yesterday morning and charged with sexual abuse of two teen-age Jersey City boys. Dr. Gerald H. Rossnick, 65, who served on the Bayonne Board of Education in the early 70s and for the past several years has been secretary of the Bayonne Chamber of Commerce, was charged with aggra-

vated sexual assault, sexual assault and endangering the welfare of minors.

He was taken into custody by members of the Sexual Assault Assistance Unit of the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office. The arrest is the result of an extensive investigation by the Prosecutor's Office and Bayonne Police Department, Prosecutor Paul DePascale said.

Rossnick was being held in

Hudson County Jail and was to be arraigned today at Central Judicial Processing Court. Bail has been set at \$50,000.

A 45-year-old Bayonne security guard was also arrested yesterday and charged with sexual assault of minors, Bayonne police said.

There may be a link between the arrests of the dentist and the security guard, sources said.

The first of three complaints against Rossnick charges him with aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault and endangering the welfare of a child. The second and third complaints charge the dentist with sexual assault, endangering the welfare of a child and child abuse.

DePascale declined to comment on who made the complaints. The warrant against Rossnick was issued by state Superior Court Judge Robert F. Cavanaugh, he said.

Rossnick's arrest stems from an investigation by Bayonne police of a 14-year-old Jersey City boy accused of attempted robbery on March 28, sources said. The boy had threatened a 90-year-old woman with a gun at a senior citizens building on Avenue A in Bayonne, according to a police source.

The boy later was arrested while accompanied by a 40-year-old Jersey City man who was charged with possession of a weapon, the report said.

Sources said the boy who

was charged is one of the teenagers allegedly assaulted by Rossnick. A third juvenile, DePascale said, saw the assault.

The two teenagers were sexually assaulted in Rossnick's home and office, DePascale said. He said the assault occurred over a "substantial number of years."

Sources said the 14-year-old boy "had engaged in sex with different males in Bayonne for quite a while."

DePascale refused to comment on whether the boys were related or if they were Rossnick's patients, but sources said the boys weren't patients.

The security guard, Robert Sprague, was arrested yesterday afternoon on three counts of sexual abuse — sexual assault of a 14-year-old boy, criminal sexual assault and endangering the welfare of a minor by committing fellatio, masturbation and other prohibited sexual acts, police said.

Sprague was off-duty when he was arrested at Fifth Street and Avenue A at 3:30 p.m., police said. Complaints were signed by Bayonne Detective Thomas Kochanski and Gleason Hanson.

Typically the victim is a kid that nobody gives a hoot about, a kid who is down and out, one source said.

The investigation is ongoing, and the Bayonne police urged anyone with information to contact the Detective Bureau at 858-6925.

Community shocked by arrest of dentist

By Emily M. Smith
and Michele Drayton

Charges against a Bayonne dentist of sexually assaulting teenage boys were greeted with disbelief and shock in the community yesterday.

Dr. Gerald H. Rossnick of 68 Avenue B, arrested Tuesday, was arraigned in Central Judicial Processing Court, Jersey City, yesterday.

The charges were referred to the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office for further investigation. Bail, which was set Tuesday at \$5,000 cash, was continued.

Rossnick, 68, a short, stout man, said little during his court appearance. His children and wife were in the courtroom.

Rossnick is charged with the sexual assault of two boys, both 14. He also is charged with sexual contact with a 9-year-old boy who witnessed an assault, according to County Prosecutor Paul DePascale.

The alleged assaults on one boy took place on different dates during 1986 in Rossnick's office and home, according to court records. Assaults on the second youth, now 19 years old,

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allegedly took place at various times during 1983, prior to his 16th birthday.

Rossnick also is charged with several counts of child abuse and endangering the welfare of a child. His arrest Tuesday was the result of a long-term investigation by the Bayonne police and the prosecutor's office.

Rossnick is expected to continue his practice, his lawyer, Robert Eisenberg of Jersey City, said yesterday.

He is active in the local Boy Scout Council and the Bayonne Chamber of Commerce and is a past member of the Bayonne Board of Education.

One of the projects he worked on as a chamber member was a coloring book to help prevent primary school students from being abducted or molested.

Our gut feeling is we don't

believe it," said Vincent M. Tello, president of the chamber.

"Dr. Rossnick is an outstanding citizen," Milfout said. "We know him to be a reputable individual. When we meet the man, we admire and we appreciate what he has done for the Chamber of Commerce, for the city of Bayonne and for the community."

A member of the chamber since 1964, Rossnick serves as its executive board member and sits on the board of directors. He also is the chair of the Education Committee, which has worked on committee programs such as Adopt-A-School, Adopt-A-Tree, Adopt-A-Program and Economics for Young Americans, according to chamber records.

He is also a member of the municipal and of both Education budget review committees of the chamber.

"I've known him

all my

life," said one of Rossnick's patients. "I've worked with him at the chamber for 19 years. He is a very generous and kindhearted person. He's always given back more than he's received."

"In my opinion he helps people, he doesn't hurt people," the patient said.

"Dr. Rossnick has been an essential member of the community for many years. People who know him are convinced of his innocence. People stopped him in the street today saying how ridiculous the charges are," his lawyer said.

"It's sad that for a man with such an exceptional background, his name and reputation have potentially been negated by accusations which appear in the newspapers before there's been any testimony or opportunity for him to defend himself," Eisenberg said.

A World War II Air Force veteran, Rossnick was awarded

the Distinguished Citizen Award by the Bayonne County Boy Scouts of America, which he has participated in since 1969, Eisenberg said. He was vice president of the council in 1981. From 1965-1968, he was executive director of the Leukemia Society of New Jersey and was a member of the executive committee of the national organization from 1969.

He served on the Board of Education from 1966 to 1971 and is a former member of the N.J. Association of School Boards. He is also a board member of the N.J. Association of Retarded Citizens, the Jersey City State Community College Orchestra and the Board of Adjustment. He was past president of the Mount Temple Brotherhood of Temple B'nai Am and the Jewish Community Center Council.